
Subject: Re: running IDL on a linux command line
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2012 20:12:43 GMT
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On 10/12/12 1:47 PM, Coyote wrote:

> On Friday, October 12, 2012 1:12:58 PM UTC-6, Mike Galloy wrote:
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>> I believe it is possible to use X (I
>> think even if you're local machine is on Windows, but there is extra
>> software you need) to run the IDL Workbench and have it show up on your
>> local machine, but my experience is that is a very slow and frustrating
>> experience.
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> Oddly enough, I was just figuring out how to connect to a UNIX machine
> from my Windows machine via a VNC client this morning. I now have a
> window on my Windows machine that connects to UNIX and allows me to run
> the IDLDE on the UNIX machine (I need UNIX because the massive amount of data
> we need is located there and because that machine has 32 GByte of RAM,
> whereas this poor Windows machine only has 6 GByte of RAM). I like
> the IDLDE because I configure it exactly like my Windows IDLDE and
> I don't have to think about anything except my work.
>
> I didn't find doing this particular operation frustrating (someone
> else had installed the vncserver software on the UNIX side) or slow.
> In fact, so far, it is working great!

Ah, yes, VNC probably provides a better experience than X.

Of course, I am biased against the Workbench -- I use the command line
95% even on my local machine.

Mike

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Modern IDL: A Guide to IDL Programming (<http://modernidl.idldev.com>)

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